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NARCISSUS.

In the cool, balmy days of spring,
When nature's brown buds unfold
And the soft, green grasses peep,
Looking up so straight and bold,
The Narcissus begin to start
From their lowly beds of mold,
And unfold their starry whiteness
To give us delights untold,
From their slender stems of green
To their fragrant cups of gold.

Erie Co., Pa.

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ANNICE BODEY CALLAND.

OR some years past the readers of the FLORAL MAGAZINE have been enjoying the beautiful verses of Miss Annice Bodey, of Ohio, and they will appreciate the portrait herewith presented.

As will be noticed by he signature to her poem in this number ar name has recently been changed, and with it the parental country home has been exchanged for a home for two in the village. In her new life and surroundings the good wishes of her many friends will attend her.

Mrs. Calland is a young woman of superior qualities of mind and heart. Her verses are beautiful in diction and rythm, and a bo und with true poetic sentiment. She is an ardent lover

of nature in all its forms of beauty, and heartily enjoys the sweet solitude of field and forest, where the mind's reflection inspires the purest sentiments and loftiest emotions. Her literary tastes are also of a high order, and a fondness for books is only second to that for nature. Amiable and kind in disposition, true-hearted and genial, she is a favorite in the community in which she dwells, and we bespeak for her the long continued happiness in the new home to which she is entitled. The many friends of Mrs. Calland will be glad to know that her poem in this number of the MAGAZINE will be followed by others in coming issues.

MY ROSE BED.

N MY bed of everblooming Roses, the Hybrid Teas, with the exception of Clotilde Soupert, came through the hard winter best-with the loss of but few of them, while about half of the Teas had to be replaced. They had a good deep mulch of stable manure, but no other protection, and had stood two winters pretty well. One winter I tried covering my Rose bed with dry leaves over the mulch, and boards, like they do farther north, but it kept them too warm, and they did not do so well as when left bare. Of course most of the tops get killed and have to be cut away, but the blooms come on the new growth anyway, and they grow very fast. In April is the best time for setting them out in the north-

ern part of the southern states. The heavy frosts are done with and the sun is not so hot, and they do not need so much shading. I have set out Roses as late as the first of June, but there is great risk unless there happens to be a rainy spell about that time. The best way when getting them late is to plant them in pots until they get started, and then slip dirt and all into the ground, with roots undisturbed. Good sandy loam is the right soil for them, with a liberal amount of well-rotted



MRS. ANNICE BODEY CALLAND

manure. I put all the soot I can get on my bed. It helps to keep off the pests, and makes them grow and bloom splendidly.

M. M. T. McDowell Co., N. C., Jan. 30, 1900.

To Banish the Lantern Plant.— In the spring, as soon as it shows its head

In the spring, as soon as it shows its head above ground, hoe it off, cutting deep, and repeat the process during the season as often as a sprout shows itself. No plant can long survive this treatment if it is persisted in, as leaves are as necessary to a plant as lungs are to a human being. W. N. P.

Nassau Co., N. Y., Jan. 1900.

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knowingly admitted to the Magazine columns, there
are no two persons think alike on any subject, and the
space sold the advertiser is used by him to make his
own statements, and he, alone is responsible for them.
It is rare that anyone is disappointed in answering an
advertisement in the Floral Magazine, and when disappointment does occur it is mostly because the meaning was not understood, rather than to the failure of
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Lice on Cinerarias.—There are no plants more subject to the attacks of green lice or aphides than Cinerarias, and care should be taken to keep the plants from becoming infested. When the insects appear dust the leaves upon both sides with tobacco dust or Pyrethrum powder, and place some tobacco over the surface soil in the pot. In the greenhouse the plants are mostly treated by scattering tobacco stems over the foliage, and placing chopped stems upon the soil about the plant. stems should remain only two or three days upon the foliage. If left for a longer period the foliage will be injured. The free use of a good syringe and pure water will often be sufficient to keep the plants clean without using insecticides.

Amorphophallus.—A. Rivieri is an Aroid with a tuberous root, which should be kept in a dormant or dry state during winter. It blooms early in spring, bearing a large, dark, bronzy-red flower not unlike a Calla Lily in form. The plant should be given a rich, moist soil, and partial shade. Dry off in autumn, and let the tuber remain in the pot of earth in a frost-proof place till potting time in spring. The flower has a disagreeable odor.

SEEDS OF GERANIUM AND HELIOTROPE.

HESE may be sown in a window box the Geranium seeds covered a quarter of an inch deep, and the Heliotrope about a sixteenth. The soil should be loose, porous, not liable to bake, and well-

drained. After sowing press soil firmly with a piece of board. making it compact and level. Water freely the first time, but simply keep the soil moist afterward



HELIOTROPE

-not wet. The seeds will mostly begin to germinate in two weeks. The Geranium seeds will germinate scatteringly, some not starting for several weeks later. Some of the Heliotrope seeds, too, will be found tardy in starting, though most of the plants will appear in from fifteen to twenty days. The Geranium plants will begin to bloom, if grown in pots, and allowed to become pot-bound, in from nine to twelve months, but the Heliotrope, bedded out in a sunny place in a gravelly soil, will usually bloom freely during autumn, if the seeds are sown in the spring.

Rest for Plants-All plants have a growing and a resting period. When resting some require to be dried off, others only partially dried off. Plants used for winterblooming are mostly rested during summer, while plants for summer-blooming are rested in winter. Among bulbs that should be kept cool and only partially dried off while resting are Auratum Lily, Amaryllis Johnsonii, Anemone coronaria and Cyclamen. Bulbs that should be dried of completely are Tuberous Begonias, Oxalis, Caladiums, Gloxinias and Tuberoses. The latter keep well in a temperature of 50°. Cinerarias should be cut back when done blooming and watered sparingly till growth begins. Palms should be sparingly watered while in a semi-dormant state.

Sow Bugs.—A subscriber wants to rid her garden of little pests that roll themselves into a ball when touched. They eat the Campanulas and other plants when tender, mostly in May. Red pepper which she sprinkled upon the ground injured the plants. The pests are popularly known as Sow Bugs. Some transform themselves into a ball when troubled, and others retain their form but seek a hiding place when molested. The best way to get rid of them is by introducing toads into the greenhouse or garden. Toads are natural enemies of nearly all plant pests, and their presence among plants should be encouraged. Fresh lime is a remedy for the "bugs."

ABOUT MAILED ROSES.

HEN Roses are received by mail remove all of the packing moss, and if dry soak for half an hour in tepid water before potting. For such ses as are mostly mailed three-inch pots a large enough. Use soil composed of o parts rotted sods, one part woods rth, and one part sand, well mixed. nacious soil is preferable to a very open, rous one. Set the plant as deep as it is before, and sift the soil around so that e roots will not be crowded together. hen the pot is filled jar and press it mly with the thumbs. This will depress e soil half an inch below the rim, leaving ace for water in watering. om wind or draughts of air. Plants that e small and delicate may be benefited by ving tumblers inverted over them for a w days, leaving space at the base for entilation.

After growth begins the plants may be ven morning and evening sun, and more pious supplies of water. Avoid direct inlight against the sides of the pots. Synge twice a week to keep off insects. hift into larger pots as the roots begin to owd. Be careful not to let the soil dry at, as it stunts the plants and invites an ttack of insects. Chopped tobacco stems pon the soil will keep away the green fly nd enrich the soil. Stir some bone-dust ito the surface soil in autumn as a fertiler. If wanted for winter get the plants the spring and grow on in pots, picking the buds and shifting to encourage rowth of branches rather than flowers. lunged in a bed at the north side of a icket fence the plants do well in summer. f wanted for bedding get the plants when he Apple is in bloom and set them directy in the bed they are to occupy, watering nd shading until they become established. hen as hot weather comes apply a mulch f stable litter.

Worms and Flies.—The minute 'flies' which are often found in great numbers about plants come from "white worms" in the soil. They mostly appear when the soil is too wet or becomes sour hrough lack of drainage. The worms can be destroyed by watering with a liquid nade by adding a half tablespoonful of saltpetre to a quart of water. The flies may be destroyed by dusting with pyrethrum powder.

Gloxinias Rooting.—Gloxinias, Tuberous Begonias and other tubers and bulbs rarely fail to start roots if the soil is not kept too wet, and the temperature is warm. When the soil is too wet, and the temperature too hot or too cold tubers and bulbs are liable to remain dormant.

ARRANGING A FRONT YARD.

HEN the plot is small and rather narrow it is as well to have the walk at the side, or in the middle, and have the flowers and shrubs along the border, next to the fencing. This will prevent cutting up the grounds, and allow of a handsome green space which always adds to the beauty of a place by contrast. Some groups of tall plants, as Castor Beans, Cannas, etc., may be used where their presence will not seriously obstruct the view. If you wish to make a curve in the walk place some shrubbery or a flower bed with rather large plants at each side, to give the turn a natural appearance. When the yard is large it is well to curve the walks, but not enough to make them burdensome to follow. Groups of large foliage plants, as Bamboo, Japanese Maize, and other grasses, with such plants as Amaranthus caudatus, Ricinus, Caladiums, etc., can be used to advantage, and beds of shrubbery which include rows of shrubs of one kind, as double Flowering Almond, Spirea Van Houtte, Weigela floribunda, etc. can also be used. Along with the shrubs, to supply flowers during summer and autumn, may be set Cosmos, Sunflowers, Pæonies and other tall flowering plants. Don't set your yard full of trees promiscuously. Lay your grounds out intelligently and group shrubs together, perennials' together, or interspersed with the shrubs, annuals and bedding plants together, and leave as much ground unbroken for a green lawn as you can.

Umbrella Palm.—This is a name often applied to Cyperus alternifolius, an aquatic sedge-grass. It likes plenty of room and plenty of water about the roots. and in a rich clay soil, with these conditions, the plant makes a wonderful growth. When the stems are fully developed they will bear clusters of flowers, then die. After blooming it is as well to withhold water, keeping the soil barely moist for a few weeks, until the tops dry, then cut them off, shift into a larger pot, with good drainage, begin watering again, and encourage renewed growth. The new stems which push up will be vigorous and beautiful, and the plant will again be a thing of beauty.

Bulbs the Second Year.—Such bulbs as Hyacinths and Narcissus, if not of the largest size the first year will bloom even better in the house the second year when grown in pots of earth and cared for after flowering till the foliage begins to die. If the bulbs are large or full-grown they usually split up into small, flowerless bulbs, and are useless in pots another season.

SOME HARDY PERENNIALS.

RS. KRATZER, of Tioga county, Pennsylvania, sends some specimens with the following note:

Mr. Park: -Kindly name the flower of which I enclose a blossom and leaf. It is a hardy perennial. It commences to bloom early in April, and continues for many weeks, and makes a fine border plant. I have some other plants, I think, of the same family. They bloom later in the season, throwing up flower stems six or eight inches high, having flowers in clusters on the ends of the stems, some pale yellow, some darker spotted with red, others dark red, one flower produced in the other. They are known here by various names, as Polyanthus, Hardy Primrose, and English Primrose. I think it must be an old-fashioned flower, as I got it from an old flower garden many years ago.

Tioga Co., Pa., April 26, 1899.

The flower and leaf enclosed are of Primula vulgaris. The plants are easily raised from seeds, and are hardy, produc-



PRIMULA ELATIOR.

ing flowers of various colors, early in spring, each flower having a long, radical stem. The later-blooming plant described is doubtless of Primula officinalis, mostly known as P. elatior. It bears its flowers in clusters on long stems as represented in the engraving.

Lemon Tree.—Lemon and Orange trees grown in pots or tubs should be shifted when the roots crowd so as to stunt the growth. When the tops become old and weak in vitality it is well to remove portions and encourage development of new, vigorous branches. In shifting the roots may be pruned in like manner. This will renew the tree, root and branch. When the scale or mealy bug pest attacks the tree brush the stems with a stiff brush and sponge both stems and leaves with strong soap suds to which has been added some kerosine, or wash with a suds of fir-tree-oil soap.

Atamasco Lily.—This plant should be dried off in winter, and kept entirely dormant till spring. It is not likely to bloom if kept constantly watered and in a growing state. It must have an annual rest.

EUONYMŲS AMERICANA

SUBSCRIBER in Virginia send pressed spray of a shrub with following note:

Mr Park:—Please give the name of

Mr. Park:—Please give the name of enclosed shrub. The bloom is star-shaped, if four points, and brown in color. Later on it a red berry, as you will see from the enclb branch. About November the "berry" of and shows the scarlet seed, and the fruit has on until taken off by the birds in mid-winter, have seen the bush full of bright red berry with snow on the ground, and visited by floof birds busily feasting upon the fruit. Ab the middle of October the leaves turn a bris scarlet, and hang on very late.

Pr. William Co., Va.

Julia F. Davis

Pr. William Co., Va. Julia F. Davis
The name of the shrub is Euonym
Americana, sometimes popularly call
Cat Bells. It is a lovely ornamental shruwell worth cultivating. Last year the lit
trees bore an immense crop of showy fru
and specimens seen by the Editor in va.
ous places were gorgeous in autumn. It
common on limestone brakes, and ve.
easily transplanted.

Care of Tuberous Begonias. Tubers from an inch to an inch and a ha in diameter are the most desirable to ol tain. They thrive in a rich, fibrous so made up of rotted sods, well decayed ma nure, leaf mould and sand, with a goo layer of charcoal at the bottom of the po covered by a thin layer of sphagnum mos In potting make a hole where you wis to place the tuber and press the soil abou the tuber when set, being careful to avoi covering the crown of the tuber. Wate sparingly at first, till well-rooted and grow ing, then water more freely. Shade th plants from the hot sun, but give them th morning and evening sun and plenty o light. Syringe the plants often, especiall; in dry weather.

Callas.—The Black Calla is an Arun with Calla-like leaves, and needs the same care as the Spotted Calla, which is a specie of Richardia. The tubers are similar in form, and are potted or planted in the spring, and dried off in winter. Little Gem Calla requires the same care as the common Calla, that is a rest of six or eight weeks once a year, and repotting in fresh soil when growth is renewed, water being freely applied during the growing and blooming season.

Otaheite Orange.—A small plant of Otaheite Orange obtained by mail and potted in autumn should hardly be expected to grow or bloom during the winter. If it keeps green and fresh till spring it is all that should be expected of it. When the warm sunny weather of spring comes the plant will begin to grow, and may be ready to bloom and bear fruit the next season.

REMEDIES FOR ANTS.

RESH slaked lime dusted about the ant-hills and places frequented by ants during hot, dry weather will cause the insects to leave and seek other quar-Fresh guano used in the same way is aid to have the same effect. A piece of um camphor the size of a filbert placed in wo quarts of hot water, and the liquid sed to water the troubled plants is regardd as an effectual ant remedy. One part alomel mixed with ten parts pulverized ugar is a poison that will soon eradicate he pest. Set it in a convenient place for he ants. Partially picked boiled bones laced conveniently for the ants will soon e covered by them. The bones can then e dropped into scalding water, then dried nd used again. This is an effectual trap.

Undeveloped Flowers.—Violets, hinese Primroses and some other plants ometimes fail to develop their flowers afer they have bloomed for some time and become somewhat exhausted. Viola curullata produces rudimentary flowers and berfect seeds throughout the summer, the ully developed, handsome blue flowers uppearing only in spring. When a Chinese Primrose begins to bear only rudimentary lowers it is well to remove all of the flower stems, water sparingly for a while, then epot in fresh, rich, porous soil, and let it gather strength for the next crop of bloom.

Agapanthus.—The Agapanthus umbellatus should be sparingly watered in winter, when in a semi-dormant state, but n summer give it partial shade and keep the pot in a saucer of water. Shift into a larger pot as the roots begin to crowd. With this treatment the plant becomes a large, strong clump, and will bear an abundance of showy flower-clusters.

Begonias and Gloxinias.—Tuberous Begonias and Gloxinias should be dried off entirely in autumn, and kept in a dark, dry place, where the temperature is regularly about 50°. If the air is too warm or too dry the bulbs will wilt, and are liable to become affected by a dry rot.

Manettia bicolor.—This vine is rather succulent, and the leaves are subject to a blight, especially when the roots are crowded in a small pot with insufficient drainage. Give a rather strong soil, but plenty of root room, good drainage and copious supplies of water.

Anemone in Winter.—Anemone coronaria grown in a pot should have a cool place in winter, and a moist atmosphere if possible. Avoid frost. It will bloom toward spring.

AURATUM LILIES IN POTS.

LTHOUGH the Auratum Lily is hardy, and will grow and bloom for years when bedded eight inches deep in a well-drained, rich soil, it is equally valuable as a pot plant, where the conditions for bedding are not suitable. In potting it should be boine in mind that the stem throws out fibrous roots just above the bulb, and a covering of two or three inches of soil must be given to accommodate these roots. A six-inch pot may be used for a large bulb, but an eightinch or nine-inch pot is better, as the vigor of the growth and bloom depends much upon the size of the pot. The engraving herewith given is of a cluster of bloom raised last season by a sister at Schenectady, N. Y. Her note is as follows:

Mr. Park:—Last spring you sent me two bulbs of Auratum Lily. I put them in jars, as our small city yard has no good place for flowers. I used charcoal in the bottom, then good rich soil, and put them under the plant shelf in the yard, but I confess I had little hope of see-



AURATUM LILY.

ing lilies over my jars. I enclose a photograph taken by my son in September of one of those jars. You will see there were five magnificent lilies, all open at one time. The surface of the jar was covered with Thunbergia vines in bloom.

M. A. Clowe.

Schenectady Co., N. Y., Jan. 7, 1900.

The best time to get and plant the bulbs of Auratum Lily is in the spring and early summer. If bedded out avoid shallow planting, and mulch the bed as hot weather approaches. If potted set them so the covering will be at least two inches deep, and be careful that the hot sun does not shine against the sides of the pots. With these precautions there are few summer-flowering bulbs that will bloom so satisfactorily as those of the Auratum Lily. They cannot be too highly praised.

A SPRING IDYL.

I list in the early morning,
On a vast Dakota plain
For the sounds that herald the coming
Of spring, and her joyous train,
Myriads of geese pass northward,
On restless and noisy wing,
While ducks arise from the lakelets,
With their graceful airy swing.

The grouse on the upland are calling
As they skulk in the herbage sear,
And the lark, swinging gayly above them,
Is warbling so loud and clear—
Ah! his song awakens the echoes
That have slumbered within my breast
A score of years, and I listen
With a longing, sweet unrest,

For it brings another springtime, In my happy childhood home, When I stood in silent rapture, Beneath heaven's azure dome, And hearkened to nature's music Borne on the fragrant air Touching my cheek so coyly, Like the kiss of a maiden fair.

Snow-white blossoms were drifting
To my feet by the sportive breeze,
And the new-born leaves whispering
As they clustered on the trees;
The boatman's horn arousing,
The echoes from every hill,
With its rising and falling crescendo—
Methinks I hear it still,

Oh, memory! Sweet is thy mission
To us—on our journey here,
Bringing the old-time pleasures
Each season that makes the year,
Though often too tinged with sadness,
We yield to thy gentle sway,
And would be thy willing captive
Yea! "forever and a day",

Lamoure Co., N. D.

Mary Temple.

THE SWEETEST TIME OF DAY.

The sweetest time of day to me
Is when the sun begins to sink,
And o'er a wide and boundless sea
A soulful artist paints the brink.

The present and the past unite
As fleeting mem'ries flit along;
And all the bad is seeming right,
Swept into metre by the song.

I love to sit and watch the sun
Sink into purple blazoned seas,
And think that when our course is run
There are heavenly joys more sweet than these
Perry Co., O. Jan. 10, 1900. Erle Greiner.

THE ORCHARDS BLOOM.

The air is full of rich perfume
From waving orchards near;
Their pink and white in lavish bloom
Has crowned the early year.
While robins sing in noisy glee
Where laden branches meet
The waxen petals flutter free,
A carpet for our feet.

Bradford Co., Pa. Ruth Raymond.

THE SUMMONS OF THE FLOWERS.

The sweet spring flowers
Are calling to you and me,
From sunny hillsides, where 'neath verna showers
They bloom so fair to see.
So soft their tones are falling upon the ear,

That only those attuned to faintest music,
The sounds could hear.

Gladly, with willing feet,
And o'er the emerald turf of springtime

Hasten our friends to greet.

Oh, who could wonder sadly, with gloomy eyes
Where all around on valley, glade and brookside
Such beauty lies!

Hiding from alien hands,
We pluck the shy Arbutus as it traileth
In fragrant blushing strands.
The wild flowers frail are chiding the doubting
heart.

For He whose care is o'er these brave sweet blossoms,

From 'neath the brown leaves,

Gives us a part.

Not flowers alone
That perish so soon, alas!
We find in this communion with fair nature,
As through her realms we pass,

But loving thoughts we cherish with Violets sweet,

And feel our hearts grow fonder, when God's beauties
Spring round our feet.
Washington, D. C.
Lida C. Tulloch.

A DAISY.

A Daisy grew beside the wall In shadows all alone, Where not a sunbeam chanced to fall Against the mossy stone,

It ope'd it's petals to the sky, And trembled in the wind Until a maiden passing by The Daisy chanced to find.

Within her trembling hand she took
The blossom bending low,
"Now in the future I may look
For Daisies always know,"

She said, and one by one let fall The petals snowy white. "Behold he loves me after all," She cried in quick delight.

Shy flower that bloomed apart
Amid the shadows there,
You filled with joy an anxious heart,
And made the future fair.
adford Co., Pa. Ruth Raymond.

WHEN HE COMES.

When the Saviour comes in triumph To set up His kingdom here, All the world shall own Him conqueror, And each heart His word revere.

On His brow that were the thorn-crown Shall be one of different mold— Methinks 'twill be wayside Daisies, Pure petals and hearts of gold.

Huntingdon Co., Pa,

Miss M. McD.

CANNAS.

GREAT improvement over the old varieties of Cannas has been effected in the new dwarf varieties. The older varieties were grown mostly for their foliage, the flowers being of small size, and not freely produced. The newer varieties bloom profusely until killed by frost. They have very ornamental foliage, and if they never bloomed they would be well worth growing for their foliage alone. Some varieties have green leaves, while others are of different shades of red. Cannas should be planted ont as soon as the ground becomes warm, and they will begin to bloom in June or July. They require a great deal of moisture, and should be frequently watered during dry weather, and should have a rich soil to do well. After frost kills down the stalks, the roots can be taken up with as much of the dirt as will adhere to them, and stored away in a place where they will not freeze. A warm cellar is the best place in which to keep them during winter. I have known them to remain in the open ground all winter without being injured, but this is very uncom-W. C. Mollett. mon.

Wayne Co., W. Va. Feb. 10, 1900.

[Note.—Cannas are easily raised from seeds. Scald and soak, or file through the hard surface before sowing the seeds, to hasten germination. Get seeds of a first-class strain, and almost every plant will bloom satisfactorily the first season. The improved dwarf Cannas make a gorgeous bed in autumn. There is no flower that can surpass them for a showy display,—ED.]

White Heliotrope.—I purchased a small plant of Heliotrope last May, and planted it in a half gallon clay pot, in soil composed of leaf-mould, sand and old cow manure. When planted it was just two inches from the earth in the pot to the top of the plant. As soon as new growth commenced (which was in about two weeks), I pinched each branch once, to give it good form, then let it grow according to its own sweet will. The first bloom appeared when I had had it five weeks, and it has been in bloom every day since. It far surpasses all the blue Heliotrope in quantity of bloom.

Mrs. R. D. Moore.

Bethlehem, Ga., Feb 10, 1900.

Sweet Peas.—Last spring I purchased one-half pound of Sweet Peas. I planted them in the latter part of April. They grew very fast, and in six weeks were loaded with blossoms. In the hot days of August the vine began to wither. After watering them several times they revived, and soon put forth a great many blossoms. In the early part of November blooms still came upon the vines, and it was not until the hard frosts came that they died. Genesee Co., Mich. Earle Sherbb.

APRIL.

When April weeps she wakes the flowers
That slept the winter through,
Oh did they dream those frosty hours
That she would be untrue?
And not awaken them in time,
To smile their smiles of love,
To hear the robins' merry chime
And gentle cooing dove?
And when they feel their mother's tears,

And when they feel their mother's tears,
So gently o'er them weep,
Will they wonder at their simple fears
And visions while asleep?
And will they tell her that they dreamed
Beneath their sheet of snow,
Such weary dreaming, that it seemed
The winter ne'er would go?
Frederick Co., Va.

N. R. Glass,

GLADIOLUS.

MONG the most popular of summerflowering bulbs are the Gladiolus. They will do well in any good garden soil, but must have plenty of sunshine. By planting from April till June 2 succession of bloom may be had until late in the season. They should be planted three or four inches deep, and kept free from weeds. The bulbs of Gladiolus are about as hardy as Irish potatoes, and will stand the winter in the open ground when well protected, but it is safer to take them up in the autumn, and store in boxes of loamy soil, in a frost-proof cellar where they can remain dry until spring. The Gladiolus has been much improved of late years, and has larger flowers and a wider range of colors than ever before. Everyone who cultivates flowers should plant Gladiolus, for no flower will give more sat-W. C. Mollett. isfaction.

Wayne Co., W. Va., Jan. 1, 1900.

Novel Trellis.—I have a novel Morning Glory support which is very pretty. I make a trench four inches wide, in a circle



eight feet in diameter. After the soil has been enriched by rotted manure, and well pulverized, plant the seeds. The plants grow quickly and in a few weeks

they will be large enough to string. Put a pole eight feet high in the center of the circle; insert one end in the ground, and in the other drive a nait; put the strings four inches apart at the bottom, carrying around the nail in the top of pole and down again. If a door is made in one side it makes a novel tent for the little foiks, besides being beautiful.

Jote.

Biddeford Me.

THE LOCO-WEED.

HE Loco-weed, Astragalus leucopis, is common, in one form or another, throughout the West, and by ranchmen, is most dreaded of all poisonous plants. It is of the genus Astragalus, and a member of the Pea family, of which there are numerous species poisonous, including the woolly, the lambent, and erect. The plants of the latter are rather pretty, having pale green leaves in pairs, flowers white in racemes, and pods thin and inflated, bladder-like.

Loco is Spanish for insane, and horses seem to take to the weed more readily than do other stock. Once a horse acquires an unnatural appetite for the weed he will not eat any other food, and soon becomes locoed or crazy, and will thrash himself

about frantically, or else stand drooping and listless till death supervenes; and as there is no nourishment in the weed, the end is not very distant.

The Loco-weed is a favorite of lurid story writers, whose wierd tales breathe of revenge upon victims by the surreptitious introduction of Loco seed in the food.

Mary H. Coats. St. Cruz Co., Cal.

Climbing Nasturtiums.—A climbing Nasturtium is one of the most beautiful flowering vines for cultivation. Being of

easy growth, it will succeed in any ordinary garden soil. The flowers are of many shades and brilliant colors, and are produced in abundance until killed by frost. The foliage is very ornamental, and is not troubled by insects. It deserves to be more widely cultivated. W. C. Mollett.

Wayne Co., W. Va. 1900.

The Cattley Guava.—This plant will surely bloom and fruit when it reaches the proper age. I have recently eaten my first red Cattley Guava fruits, and to my taste they are delicious. The plant should be trained, by judicious pinching, and pruning if necessary, into a nice oval, compact form. Then when it reaches the proper age it will bloom and set fruit every time it makes new growth. Observer.

Queens Co., N. Y., Jan 10, 1900.

SWEET PEAS AND NASTUR-TIUMS.

OSSIBLY my experience in the culture of Sweet Peas may benefit some who, like myself, have a limited amount of room and little time to spend on plants. I had carefully followed the directions which I read, about digging a trench, filling in with rich soil, planting the seed in pasteboard boxes and other devices to obtain early blossoms, but I met with indifferent success; so last year I had a strip of ground, of ordinary soil, spaded up about a foot in width. This strip extended east and west, and was shaded from the noonday sun by the brick walls of a building. It was late in the season, about the middle of April. I had a quantity of Sweet Peas and Nasturtiums left from the previous spring,

also some fresh seeds. These I mixed, made holes three or four inches deep in the soil, dropped in the seeds just as they came, planting thickly. I covered the whole with boards to keep the earth from washing away, and left them. Assoon as the plants appeared, I removed the boards, put up my wire netting, put a liberal supply of dressing over the ground, and in a short time was rewarded by a mass of thrifty vines that yielded bouquets every day during the summer and fall until heavy frosts



LOCO-WEED-ASTRAGALUS LEUCOPIS.

came. I expected the Nasturtiums, being the climbing variety, would crowd out the Peas, but they formed a close network of vines on the ground, keeping the soil cool and moist for the Peas. Gorgeous masses of shaded red and orange at the foot, Sweet Pea blossoms of every hue, upon thrifty vines completely covering the netting.

Mrs. L. W. Church.

Susquehanna Co., Pa.

Making Pelargoniums Bloom.

—In the spring I turn them out of the pots into a bed at the northeast corner of the house, where the summer rains seldom if ever reach them. I keep off every blossom-bud, and give just enough water to keep them alive. In August I repot, trim them back about half, and tie the branches downward to the rim of the pot.

Ulster Co., N. Y. Mrs. L. E. Wardell.

THE MARCH CROCUS.

om out the ground a Crocus found the light and warmth of spring, om berth of mould so dark and cold it's thoughts are vanishing.

southern breeze so swiftly flees Foward a northern clime, te sun beguiles it into smiles, And thoughts of summer time.

tt from the north cold winds blow forth With cruel sleet and rain te Crocus laughed for its short life passed Had wove a glad sweet strain.

Annice Bodey Calland.

osewood, Ohio. Jan 11, 1900.

THE BUTTERFLY LILY.

HE Butterfly Lily (Hedychium coronarium), is one of my especial favorites, and since I have learned how to manage it rightly it never fails to give an abundance of its exquisitely beautipure white, and deliciously sweetnted flowers. It is surprising to learn t its roots withstood a temperature of degree below zero, but that was in Alma where the intense cold was not of g duration. I doubt if it would be able withstand the vicissitudes of a long thern winter, especially the repeated ezings and thawings of some sections. wever, if planted deep in a warm, sheled location, like along the foundation of south side of a house, and heavily dched over winter, it might prove hardy many parts of the North; it would be an eresting experiment to try. It winters th perfect success in a frost-proof closet, lar or pit, if the soil is kept partially dry. As a pot or tub plant it is magnificent d perfectly easy to manage. Its chief juirements are rich soil—it can hardly made too rich-and an abundance of waand heat while growing. In the summer et the pot in a deep saucer in the hottest, aniest position I have, keep the saucer led with warm water, and water it freently with liquid manure after growth well under way. I do not repot it every ar, but instead I carefully remove two or ree inches of the top soil, replacing it th thoroughly decayed cow manure, pped off with some sandy soil. As a relt the strong Canna-like stems shoot up itil they are finally crowned with great rminal clusters of the beautiful flowers, hich look almost like a bevy of large hite butterflies hovering over the plant. fter it is through blooming I let it graduly ripen off by withholding water until has died down and the soil almost dried t. Then I remove it, pot and all, to a 7, frost-proof closet, where it remains unspring. One season I grew it in the en ground. I planted it in a deep tub very rich soil, sunk in a sheltered location where the sun shone hottest, and kept the soil soaked with warm water, supplemented by draughts of liquid manure. How it grew! The stems were as tall as my head, and from August until frost were in bloom continuously! On still evenings the delicious odor was noticeable on the veranda twenty-five feet distant. In and south of the latitude of Washington I have no doubt it could be successfully grown in the open ground under the same conditions as the Canna. Still I think the tub treatment would give earlier and more profuse bloom. Complete rest over winter, and heat, rich soil and an abundance of water during summer make up the secret of its successful blooming. Nancy Lee.

Nassau Co., N. Y., Jan. 10, 1900.

[Note.—The Butterfly Lily is easily raised from seeds, which may be sown in the spring Protect the young plants in winter at the North by lifting and bedding firmly in a box of soil in a frost-proof place.—Ed.]

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The Impatiens Sultana.—Among plants for the home sitting room, it is difficult to find one superior to Impatiens Sultana. This plant is of delicate appearance, with wax-like stems, pale green leaves and pink blossoms, yet it will endure everything but drought and cold. Slips of Impatiens Sultana root as easily as Coleus, and begin to bloom in a few weeks, the dainty pink flowers almost hiding leaf and stem. As a center-piece for the table this plant is without a rival, as snowy linen but serves to enhance its frail loveliness, while for church decoration it is unsurpassed, thriving and blooming week after week in the dry, furnace-heated air. On a little stand in our own church a plant of Impatiens Sultana greeted us each Sunday during the winter, and who shall say how much inspiration was found in its delicate beauty. or to how many souls it came with a message of heavenly things and "a glory that excelleth." Lalia Mitchell.

Bradford Co., Pa.

Ferns.—Sometimes the native Ferns which are planted in the autumn for the adornment of the house during winter die down and become unsightly, and one is tempted to throw them out of doors, but if the pots or boxes containing the roots are set in some cool, out-of-the-way corner for two or three months the Ferns will be benefited by the rest, and will, if watered a little in February, begin to grow. There is nothing more delightful than to watch the unrolling of the fresh green fronds. and the plants are apt to be prettier when they are all coming up fresh and green in the early spring than they were when they were dug and planted in the fall.

C. W. Rankin,

Marquette Co., Mich., Jan. 17, 1900.

# TRAILING ARBUTUS.

While yet the snow remains
In shady nooks and dells,
The sunny southern slopes are sweet
With the perfume-laden bells.

Their fragrance doth betray Their presence, as concealed Beneath their coverlet of leaves Our careful search revealed.

These clustered flower-pearls
Low hidden at our feet,
And Oh: how eagerly we pluck
The clusters, honey sweet.

How oft in life we find,
Like the Arbutus sweet,
Some fragrant flower of love may lie
Unnoticed at our feet.

Some priceless gem of truth, Some pearl of richest sheen, Lies hidden 'neath the world's dark soil And withered leaves unseen.

Genito, Va.

Alice R. Corson.

# THE BORDER OF HARDY PERENNIALS.

FTER the drought had spoiled our annuals, the hard winter killed our Roses and the pests had eaten up our house plants, we turned with a sigh of satisfaction to our border of hardy perennials, and they proved friends indeed. If we select the most desirable and plant them with care we may have a succession of bloom from early spring until heavy frosts come, and very little trouble except the planting. It is best to plant the tall growing things in the middle, or at the back if only one side will show, and the things of smaller growth along the edges of the border. A bit of thought must be given to the color combination so as not to have a clash of colors. Even the brightest red and yellow will not look so violent if there is a bunch of something white near and plenty of green to harmonize the violence in contrast.

There can be no mistake in planting Rudbeckia "Golden Glow". It is first and foremost among hardy perennials. Near my Rudbeckia I have a well grown bunch of Clematis Davidsiana, and further on a splendid clump of Yucca, and further on a clump of Tritomas raise their fiery heads. Then with these there bloomed three lovely bunches of perennial Phlox. A large white one stands by my Tritoma, a crimson one at the opposite end of the border, keeping company with bunches of white, yellow, and dark blue hardy Asters; the salmon-pink Phlox stands quite to itself, showing up beautifully against the green and white of a bunch of Eulalia J. variegata. My Platycodons made another pretty group of colors-white, light blue, and deep blue, with a ring of hardy Gaillardias around them, their rich bloom, crimson and orange, making a wonderful harm of colors for a month or more.

For early blooming I have bunched beautiful hardy Narcissus, double and gle, planted at intervals among the ot plants, and several bunches of Crown perial that soon follow the Narcissus.

Then the Lemon Lily and the Pæomake a violent contrast. Do not pl them close together. Have plenty Matricaria, with its finely cut foliage white flowers, planted about them.

Then come the Columbines. I have least a dozen different colors planted groups—very dark blue, crimson and why yellow, scarlet and white, pink and lay der, etc. After these come the Delph iums, the hardy Poppies embracing ev color of the rainbow, the Sweet Willia (innumerable) and Pinks of every descrition. Of Nicotiana affinis, I have quit little row, making a background for scar Lychins. The deep purple of the Cant bury Bells and the golden-yellow of Cores is lanceolata make a lovely study in prople and gold.

Dielytra (Bleeding Heart) and Digital make good border plants, and Veroni spicata will add a bit of the needed blu Hibiscus, Crimson Eye and Golden Bordare both lovely plants and perfectly hard

Bocconia Cordata is a noble, har perennial, beautiful in foliage and flow but as it spreads rapidly, is best planted a corner to itself, or at least where it w not encroach on other things. The samight be said of Helianthus multiflorus Double Hollyhocks I like best planted in long row to themselves; then they do n look coarse by contrast with other plan

I have a bed of Œnotheras, the thr colors (pink, white and yellow) out by t porch where we sit in the evening. bunch of Nicotiana grows in the center the bed, and when the sun is gone th look very pretty and are very sweet. It the other side I have a bed of Mirabii (Four-o'clocks), all colors, and they bloomed all this last dry summer without an watering.

Anemone Whirlwind is a splendid a tumn-blooming perennial, as beautiful tis rare. Pyrethrum uliginosum (Giar Daisy) is another autumn-blooming perenial of great merit.

M. M. Y. McDowell Co., N. C., Jan 31, 1900.

[Note.—Sweet Rocket is one of the best easilgrown perennials, appearing not unlike perennial Phlox, and delightfully fragrant. It bloom at the same time as the Oriental Poppies, anywhen grouped around a clump of these gorgeot flowers makes a grand display. A more modes but not less beautiful early spring-bloomin perennial is the Primula Elatior. It forms lovely edging or border, the handsome cluster showing in many rich colors. The plants ar hardy, and increase in size and beauty with agreement of the primula ending the

# FOR EARLY FLOWERS.

ECIDE upon where you are going to have your flower beds, then when the ground is in good condition, spade it deeply and mix with it a liberal apply of manure, poultry or animal, also nough sand to render it porous. Smooth his down and the seeds of such flowers as inks, Sweet Williams, Hollyhocks, Hibisus and many other perennials, and the ollowing annuals may be safely sown now: Isters, Marigolds, Zinnias, Verbenas, Pe-unias and Phlox. Cover a little deeper han for spring sowing. Apply a liberal nulch of leaves with brush to hold them n place, or use evergreen boughs. You vill have plants and flowers much earlier han if you wait until spring to plant the seed, and the flowers will be nicer, coming pefore the heated season. Sow the seed thicker than in the spring, for all weak seed will fail to germinate (good thing). For the tender annual's beds, after mixing the manure and sand in, put on a good coat of manure extra and leave it so until spring. The ground will be in better condition earlier, and will be prepared without rush. Pansies are much nicer planted as directed for annuals. Pansy.

Vermillion Co., Ind., Jan. 31, 1900.

Madeira Vine.
—I grew a Madeira Vine last summer upon a trellis as illustrated. I made it of iron, \(\frac{1}{2}\tau\) 1 inch. My vine covered the trellis. I trained it so as to have the circle open, and

ly. I protected it, and kept it a long time after frost came. F. E. T. Jack. Co., Mich.

it bloomed profuse-

Plumbago
Capensis.—I love
to hear the praises
sounded of Plumbago Capensis. I have
had my plant
twelve years, and
its beauty increases

with age. It is a MADEIRA VINE TRELLIS. good "all around" plant. I have never seen an insect on it. Mine is forty-four inches high, from base of stem to tip, and is well proportioned, as I keep it well nipped after blooming. The pot holds Tradescantia zebrina also, which completely hides it.

L. W. Baldwin.

Kent Co., Del.

# PLANT FIGURES.

NGLISH gardeners have a habit of training trees and shrubs into grotesque figures, which attract more or less attention from the curious public. In one garden is a large bush trimmed to

table set with wine bottles and glasses, as shown in the engraving.

A famous garden has a figure representing the Princess of Wales, and



the Siamese
Twins. These gardening efforts are not artistic, but they attract attention. Here in Chicago they carry gardening into more artistic effects. In Washington Park, for instance, there is a flight of stairs, the balusters and carpet all done in plants. The pattern of the carpet is brought out most exquisitely. It is such a perfect piece of work, that a policeman is stationed beside it to keep people from going up the stairs.

Another beautiful thing is the earth, continents and seas accurately outlined upon the huge globe, by various colored plants. The globe is delicately balanced, and pivoted, and can be turned like an ordinary globe representing the world.

Another set piece is a sun dial in plants, It is an immense thing, with Roman figures and a flower indicator, and it tells the time in the good old-fashioned way.

In Douglass park, a center piece represents the various arts and sciences, and in Garfield park is a miniature Fort Dearborn, done completely in plants. All the parks are well supplied with floral pieces, and the gardener who designs them draws a fat salary for his work.

Ray Richmond.

Chicago, Ill.

Madam Bruant Geranium.—I would advise all who fail with other Geraniums to try Madam Bruant. It has bloomed all winter for me in an out-door pit which was covered over with heavy plank doors in all bad weather. I had one cluster which measured five inches across. I think one reason why I succeed so well with all my plants is because I use almost pure leaf mould made rich with bone meal.

Mrs. R. D. Moore.

Bethlehem, Ga., Feb. 10, 1900.

Ashes for White Worms.—I have had the best success in destroying white worms by stirring strong wood ashes into the surface soil, then watering.

Udell Co., Iowa. Mrs. S. H. Stuckey.

# THE CARE OF PLANTS.

HE growth and success of plants depends largely upon the care given them. They cannot be well treated for one week and the next week live without any care. They have to be daily cared for. Watered properly, not drowned nor floated in ice water, but during the winter months watered with tepid water when dry, and watered in the morning, as that

"Is Nature's watering time Upon her plants and flowers."

Once a week all faded and dead leaves should be plucked off, as these sap the strength from the new growth. The Rex Begonia should be watered only when the leaves begin to droop or wilt, then watered very freely. If there is any indication of earth worms stir a little mustard in some warm water, and pour on the soil; this will bring them to the surface quickly. The use of the plant sprinkler or atomizer is an essential adjunct to the development of plants, and indispensable, for all plants should be sprayed thoroughly at least once a week. This removes all dust particles that accumulate, and hinder the growth. At this season of the year a teaspoonful of ammonia in each gallon of water is very commendable, as it destroys nearly all insects, and fertilizes the earth as well.

Genie L. Boyce. Wash. Co., Vt., Jan. 1, 1900.

[Note.—For winter-blooming the plants of the Chinese Primrose should be started in the spring or early summer. Keep the soil constantly moist but not wet after sowing. This condition is promoted by covering the pot or box with heavy paper or several plies of cloth, kept wet. The young plants will not appear until fifteen or twenty days after sowing.—ED.]

Tuberous Begonias for Summer.—These are especially desirable for those who have no good place for plants in winter. I had white, scarlet, yellow and one most beautiful of all had immense blossoms of a delicate cream color, shading to pink on the edges of the petals. The individual blooms were three inches in diameter. At one time there were twenty-five buds and blossoms on this plant, and the foliage was also beautiful.

Mrs. S. J. Fisher. N. H., Jan. 6, 1900.

Cheshire Co., N. H., Jan. 6, 1900.

Rooting Woody Cuttings.—An excellent way to root woody cuttings is to insert them in a small porous pot at the sides of the pot. Then plunge into a larger pot filled with earth to retain moisture, cover with a bell glass and success is almost certain. I cannot say why they should do better for being put next to the pot, but they do.

H. W. H.

Hampden Co., Mass., Jan. 4, 1900.

# PRIMULA SINENSIS.

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"As timid Violets lade the ambient air With their hearts' richest fragrance unaware, The fragrance whispers that the flower is there."

Indeed, I cannot justly describe the merits of the plant, or convey an idea of how charming the little Primula really is.

Gene L. Boyce.

Wash. Co., Vt., Jan. 1, 1900.

Cosmos.—I planted some Cosmos seeds in March, and some outside in the open ground in April. They grew very rapidly, and made beautiful plants. When it began to get frosty I got some large vessels and packed them as full of Cosmos plants as possible. I then watered them well and had them brought into the house and put in a cool room near the window. When the plants were lifted they were loaded with buds, and in a few days I had flowers which were admired by all who saw them. They lasted over two months, and reminded one of a huge bouquet. C. J. C.

Okanogan Co., Wash., Jan. 11, 1900.

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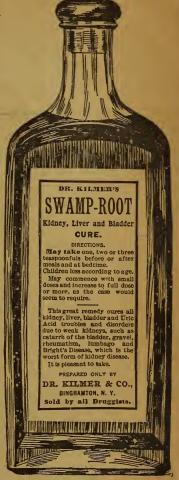
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# EUROPEAN TRIP.

LETTER NO. 30.

As the railroad train wound around the stee pasture hills of old Scotland, "shooting undearches, and rumbling over bridges," the win whistling fiercely and the big drops of rain striling the window panes at a sharp angle, the experience was novel and interesting. Charmin views of cozy little homes came suddenly to view and as suddenly disappeared; lovely clear-wate streams dashing and foaming upon rocky ravin beds in their haste to the ocean, were quick passed; grazing flocks buddled together in she tered places to avoid the chilling wind and rain and here and there great patches of luxuria Sweedish Turnips in stately rows displayed mass of rich green. And see—oh see! What that glorious sheet of exquisite purple hiding its surface of the great mound-like hill we are a proaching? Is it the changing foliage of son Scotch wildling, or the profuse autumn bloom come low native shrub. We come neare—neare until the settled rain-drops sparkle like diamong the street of supplementations of the settled rain-drops sparkle like diamong the settled rain-drops sparkle like di until the settled rain-drops sparkle like diamon in the burst of sunshlne which now illuminate in the burst of sunshlne which now illuminate the landscape, and reveals the secret of the ripurple color. Yes, it was the bloom of the Scot Heather. Glorious was the scene in the evenisualight after the storm—the exquisite purp thickly set with glittering water-diamonds, as appearing as a great flower-mound which on nature could prepare and plant and adorn grandly. My admiration was boundless, an longed for some dear nature-loving friend to joy the scene with me. But a train of thoug awaking the most tender emotions was started I had often heard my dear mother sing of t Scotch Heather, and recite bits of verse about and I could scarcely repress my feelings as. and I could scarcely repress my feelings as, fancy, I was taken back to the old home of n childhood, and saw the best of earthly friend busy with the household duties, and heard h singing the old Scotch songs which her moth sang in earlier days. The happy home as scenes of childhood always appeal to the tend emotions whenever "fond recollection present than to view" and as I sat alone in my area. scenes of childroot aways appear to the tend emotions whenever "fond recollection present them to view," and as I sat alone in my apar ment of the car, the exquisite sentiments awa ened cannot be expressed in words. I sat as or entranced, enjoying and yet oblivious to resurroundings, the spirit of my fond mother tending me, and my thoughts carried back the sweetness of my childhood home. Ah, sacr are the memories we cherish of the loved friend and expreriences of by-gone days. They come us in moments of joy and in moments of sadne and expreriences of by-gone days. They come our general happiness. We would not suppressed them. But now the train stops at the summit a high station, and the announcement "M rose." reminds us that here is the famous of Melrose Abbey, and not far distant Abbotsfor the home of Sir Walter Scott. We descend to lower story, and securing a back are driven alor the country highway lined with Scotch Bis Bells, to that celebrated home, of which I shatell you in my next letter. George W. Park.

## BRIEF ANSWERS.

-The best time to start Date Palm Date Palm.—The best time to start Date Palm is in the spring. The fruit can then be readily obtained, and the seeds should be planted in a partially shaded bed as soon as the ground is warm enough. Do not disturb the plants till September, when they should be potted in a good, porous loam. The seeds do not usually come up till mid-summer, and appear in autumn only as one little sword-shaped leaf. Use a four-inch pot, and press the soil firmly, watering moderate, by till spring. Shift as the plant grows. In summer set the pot in a box with sphagnum moss around, and keep in a cool, rather shady place. The treatment of this Palm is simple, and even the inexperienced flower-grower will succeed with it. Date Palm.-

Treatment of Palms.—Use a rich fibrous, porcus compost, pot firmly, water freely while growing, and keep in partial shade during hot weather. In summer set the pots in a boy or pair with sphagnum moss around, to avoid rapid evaporation and keep the soil moist and cool. See that drainage is open. Protect from wind and storm.

To Make Wax Plants Bloom,—It is said the Wax Plant, Hoya, is sure to bloom, if, about March 1st, water is withheld until the leaves begin to wilt and loose their bright green color. After this water freely, and give a sunny place. If the treatment is repeated after the plants have bloomed another crop of flowers will be produced.

# QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Trumpet Vine.—Mr. Park I bave a vine 15 feet high, which some people call "Trumpet Vine," and some "Begonia." The flowers are trumpet like and red in color. Is there a variety with white flowers? I have a faint idea that instead of a Begonia it is a Gloxinia.—Mrs. W., Utah. Ans.—The Vine in question is doubtless the Trumpet Vine, botanically known as Tecoma radicans, but often catalogued as Bignonia (not Begonia) radicans. It is a beautiful, free-blooming hardy vine, useful for covering a building, or for growing to a strong post to form a dense weeping tree. As yet the species is known only with red flowers. red flowers.

Callas,—I have two large Callas, but they do not bloom. Why?—Mr. D., Ky.

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Vines in Louisiana.—Mr.Park.—Here are specimens of wildlings found in a 1 glected corner of my yard. I have long admired the one, and now discover that No. 2 has a fruit, very dark green. It is now almost black, and about the size of a small plum. These vines are dainty, No. 1 is particularly pretty. I have discovered also growing wild here the lovely Coccinea Indica, with its handsome red fruit. I have it trained to a frame, and a lovely drapery of foliage now envelopes it. Balloon vine grows all about here. My fondness for all pretty vines led me into trailing this on the same frame as Manettia, which it ing this on the same frame as Manettia, which it soon overran, and came near to smothering it, rank as the latter grows here. Cypress vine also grows wild, and is a pest to the planters in the Cane fields.

Mrs. J. F. B.

Caddo Par., La.
[Note.—The specimens enclosed, judging from the leaves, were of Passifiora and Pilogyne.—ED].

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Mr. Editor:—I sincerely think the only plants worthy of condemnation are the Chinese Lantern and Shoo Fly. I know a great many condemn a plant because they fail to succeed with it. This is not just. All plants can be made to come up to the catalogue pictures, provided they are grown in a climate suited to them, and given the best of everything needful. Why, here in the South some find fault with Stocks, Sweet Peas, Hyacintha, Tulips, and Tuberous-rooted Begonias. Why? Principally because we have no spring. It is winter (that is, freezing one day and warm the next) until April, then summer, so these flowers while they will bloom, are not nearly so fine or abundantly produced as those grown North. While I expect some of our northern or eastern friends would think our description of North. While I expect some of our northern or eastern friends would think our description of many plants overdrawn, the only catalogue engraving I ever saw which seems hard to believe was a Little Gem Calla with seven blooms and buds from one stalk, and I may live to know of even that. Chrysanthemums, Golden Wedding and Maude Dean and many others can easily be made to bear flowers ten inches across, if given rich soil, frequent shifts, plenty of water, and kept in almost entire shade. Mine had the morning sun for two hours each day.

Mrs. R. D. Moore.

Walton Co., Ga., Feb. 10, 1900.

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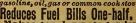


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Mr. Park:—It is more than a year since I became acquainted with the Floral Magazine, and I
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for Begonias and Geraniums which are kept on
the porch in the summer. For the borders started to grow again. I have the horders for Begonias and Geraniums which are kept on the porch in the summer. For the borders around the yard, I like best the old-fashioned annuals, (that grew in our old home garden before the war). I have gathered Calendulas on Christmas eve. Last fall I cut the bottoms out of some old cans, put the cans in the ground and planted in them the seeds of hardy perennials. I thought it would keep the seeds from being washed out in the winter, and the young plants from being pulled up in the spring when the beds are worked over. I tried this as an experiment.

E. H. W.

Harper's Ferry, W. Va., Feb. 3, 1900.

Longs for California.—It makes my heart ache to read of the beautiful flowers in bloom in California, while we are here buried up in snow, and it is so cold that just to venture out is to freeze one's extremities. I have no love for New England, anyway, for there is almost always a keen east wind to make one uncomfortable.

Mrs. R.

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Middlesex Co., Mass.
[Norg. - Evidently the most delightful part of Callfornia is along the coast from Santa Barbara to San Diego. Here the mercury ranges from 50 to 70, and the weather is never hot nor cold. In all of his travel, however, the editor has seen no place more charming in his estimation than Southern Pennsylvania. He grows more in love with it every year, as the objections to other sections become apparent, and the advantages of his native place are shown by contrast. Here the greatest natural comforts are enjoyed, and the highest state of human happiness realized. Of course!—ED.]

Dear Mr. Park:—I enjoy reading your Magazine very much. I have a very nice step-mother. She takes your Magazine, and is a great lover of flowers. She bought some seeds from you, and they all did well. We have a few house-plants this winter." I have a nice plano, and have been taught music. When spring comes I hope we can have more seeds from you. can buy more seeds from you. Fairfax Co., Va., Feb 1, 1900. Bertha Oliver.

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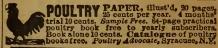


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Mrs. V. M. Burt. Saratoga Co., N. Y., Feb. 5, 1900.

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Kings Co., Wash., Dec. 26, 1899.

[Note.—The Editor is proud of this little namesake, and from the attention indicated in the picture he is not alone in this feeling. She is doubtless the queen of the household, and the joy of the home. She has the Editor's best wishes for a long, prosperous and happy life. Next.—ED.]

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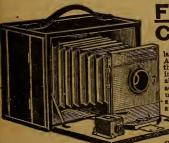
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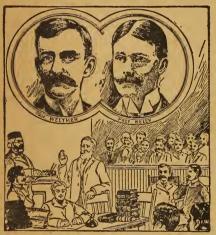
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My Sister-in-law.

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J. T. M.

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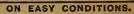


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Now that spring hath come again,
Where doth bloom the fragrant Violet
In the hedges of the lane;
Where the Daffodils are nodding
Gracefully their golden head,
And the banks wherefrom the fragrance
Of the lowly Thyme is shed.
I could me revel in the memory—
Break not, oh, the mystic spell,
Let me, once more, o'er old mem'riss,
Of my childhood fondly dwell.

Comp climb the ivied turrets
Of the battlemented wall,
Where, amid its crumbling grandeu?
Grow the Gilliflowers, tall.
I can, even in my dreaming,
Gather dewy Roses wild,
Clasp them fondly to my bosom,
With the rapture of a child.
Lilac blossoms fall around me,
Covering o'er the years now fled,
Starry Daisles, in a chaplet,
Seem to rest upon my head.

How my heart is wildly leaping,
As I muse upon the past,
Dream again, in tearful rapture
Of those days too bright to last,
Feel the cruel blow more keenly,
Dealt me by a kindred hand,
When they cast me off an alien,
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And I long on blong so meally. And I long, oh, long so madly,
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k—through the crowding years—we look, see the fire-lit ingle-nook, Holly branch hangs over-head, feast and pillowed couch is spread.

Arab hears Sahara's moan, ere centuries sleep in sand and stone, other sees the foam-crests curl, ere polar currents sweep and whirl.

• me, the southern breezes blow, • Hyacinth bells swing to and fro, • Holland Tulips growing here, ne as a Christmas souvenir.

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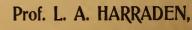
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